

SHD Paraphrased Regulations - Medi-Cal

470 Deductions and Other Programs

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Income exemptions and deductions are set forth in and refer to §§50523 through 50555.2. (§50519)

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Health insurance premiums shall be deducted from income if paid by and purchased for any person in the family. Health insurance premiums paid less often than monthly shall be averaged on a monthly basis except that the premium for Part B Medicare shall be deducted for those months in which the beneficiary actually makes the payment. (§50555.2)

470-5

Payments made under the California Victims of Crimes Program shall be exempt as income in the month of receipt, and exempt as property for the following nine months. (§§50534 and 50448)

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Adoption Assistance Program (AAP) payments are to be treated as exempt income in determining the adoptive family's SOC.

The State-only AAP recipient is an ineligible member of the adoptive family's MFBU and that recipient is an MI person. Children eligible for federal AAP are also excluded from the family's MFBU, but those children are considered Public Assistance (PA) if they receive a cash grant, and Other PA if they do not.

(All-County Welfare Directors Letter (ACWDL) No. 92-83, December 31, 1992)

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The first \$60 in interest payments paid quarterly are excluded as infrequent or irregular unearned income under §50542. Interest income paid monthly is not excluded as it is received more than twice a quarter. (All-County Welfare Directors Letter (ACWDL) No. 92-37, June 15, 1992)

470-8 ADDED 11/05

Effective August 1, 2005, interest and dividends paid to an individual from countable property is exempt for purposes of determining Medi-Cal income eligibility for certain Medi-Cal programs which determine countable income using SSI/SSP income methodologies.

The programs that exempt such income and dividend income from countable property are the Aged and Disabled Federal Poverty Level Program, the Aged, Blind and Disabled Medically Needy Program, the 250% Working Disabled Program, the Piockle Program, the QMB Program, the QI Program, the SLMB program, the TB Program, the QDWI Program, the Program for No Longer Disabled Children, The DAC Program and the Program for Disabled Widow(er)s.

This interest and dividend payment exemption only applies to countable property, not to excluded property. This exemption does not apply to the AFDC-MN program. This new interest and dividend exemption should be applied before the exemption for infrequent or irregular income set out in Title 22, CCR §50542(a). (ACWDL 05-17, June 7, 2005)